

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 STOCKH 03491 041119Z

13

ACTION EUR-25

INFO OCT-01 EA-11 NEA-10 IO-15 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00

PM-07 H-03 INR-10 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-10 PA-03 RSC-01

PRS-01 SPC-03 SS-15 USIA-15 ACDA-19 SAJ-01 NIC-01

DRC-01 /155 W

----- 011636

R 011600Z OCT 73

FM AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 797

INFO AMEMBASSY ATHENS

AMEMBASSY BERN

AMEMBASSY BONN

AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS

AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN

AMEMBASSY DUBLIN

USMISSION GENEVA

AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE

AMEMBASSY HELSINKI

AMEMBASSY LISBON

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY LUXEMBOURG

AMEMBASSY MADRID

AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

AMEMBASSY NICOSIA

AMEMBASSY OSLO

AMEMBASSY PARIS

USLAO PEKING

AMEMBASSY ROME

USMISSION EC BRUSSELS UNN

USMISSION NATO BRUSSELS

USMISSION USUN NEW YORK

AMEMBASSY VIENNA

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE STOCKHOLM 3491

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 STOCKH 03491 041119Z

C O R R E C T E D C O P Y P A R A 3

E.O.11652: N/A

TAGS: PFOR SW

SUBJECT: WEST EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PARTIES MEETING

SUMMARY: MEETING OF WEST EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PARTIES WAS HELD IN STOCKHOLM SEPT 27-28. STATED PURPOSE WAS TO PLAN A MAJOR CONFERENCE IN JANUARY 1974. MEETING ATTRACTED LITTLE MEDIA NOTICE AND AS YET WE HAVE LITTLE INFO ON WHO ATTENDED OR WHAT WAS DISCUSSED. END SUMMARY.

1. REPRESENTATIVES OF WEST EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PARTIES MET AT STOCKHOLM SEPTEMBER 27-28. THE MEETING RECEIVED VERY LITTLE PUBLICITY HERE. ACCORDING TO MEDIA, REPRESENTED WERE: BELGIAN, CYPRUS, DENMARK, FINLAND, FRANCE, GREECE, IRELAND, ITALY, LUXEMBOURG, NORWAY, PORTUGAL, SAN MARINO, SPAIN, BRITAIN, SWITZERLAND, SWEDEN, WEST GERMANY, AUSTRIA. A DELEGATION FROM THE SOCIALIST UNITY PARTY IN WEST BERLIN WAS ALSO PRESENT. ONLY NAMES OF DELEGATES REPORTED WERE SARGIO SEGRE, INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY OF ITALIAN CP, AND C.H. HERMANSSON, HEAD OF SWEDEN'S CP. MAIN STATED BUSINESS OF MEETING WAS PREPARATION FOR A MAJOR CONFERENCE BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN PARTIES, SET FOR JANUARY 1974 AT A LOCATION TO BE ANNOUNCED LATER. THEME OF CONFERENCE WILL BE "CAPITALISM'S CRISIS IN EUROPE." SEGRE, WHO SEEMS TO HAVE ACTED AS SPOKESMAN FOR CONFERENCE, EXPLAINED THAT PREPARATORY CONFERENCE WAS HELD IN STOCKHOLM "BECAUSE THERE ARE ALWAYS A LOT OF PROBLEMS WHEN WE MEET IN EC COUNTRIES."

2. SEGRE SAID THAT AFTER THE JANUARY CONFERENCE A SERIES OF OTHER MEETINGS WILL BE HELD, TO DEAL WITH TOPICAL QUESTIONS, SUCH AS CURRENCY CRISIS, THE FORMS OF THE STRUGGLE OF THE MASSES, STATUS OF EMIGRANT LABOR, CULTURAL FREEDOM AND SITUATION OF INTELLECTUALS IN TODAY'S CAPITALIST EUROPE. AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF STOCKHOLM MEETING, SEGRE NOTED: "IT IS IMPORTANT TO DISCUSS COMMUNIST EFFORTS TO UNITE ALL LEFTIST FORCES AND DEMOCRATS IN EUROPE. ITALIAN COMMUNISTS WELCOME ALL COOPERATION BETWEEN SOCIAL DEMOCRATS AND SOCIALISTS, LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 03 STOCKH 03491 041119Z

AS LONG AS THERE IS MUTUAL RESPECT FOR INDIVIDUAL DIFFERENCES."

3. SWEDISH COMMUNIST LEADER C.H. HERMANSSON, WHO LED SWEDISH DELEGATION, SAID HE SAW CONFERENCE AS AN IMPORTANT INITIATIVE NOT ONLY FOR ANALYSIS OF CURRENT PROBLEMS BUT ALSO FOR A NECESSARY DEBATE ABOUT CONTENT AND FORM OF SOCIALISM IN WESTERN EUROPE.

4. IN AN EDITORIAL, SWEDISH NEWSPAPER SVENSKA DAGBLADET NOTED THAT COMMUNIST MEETING WITH SUCH BROAD REPRESENTATION AND WITHOUT SOVIET PARTICIPATION IS AN EVENT WHICH WILL BE WIDELY NOTED AND NO DOUBT WILL BE LOOKED AT WITH SOME APPREHENSION BY MOSCOW. WILL WEST EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PARTIES CREATE A MINOR INTERNATIONAL ALL BY THEMSELVES? COULD A GROWING COMMUNIST COOPERATION IN THE WEST OPEN A CHASM TO THE PARTIES IN THE EASTERN BLOC? MOSCOW MUST ALSO ASK IF THE COMMUNIST SPLIT ISN'T SERIOUS ENOUGH AS IT IS.

COMMENT: ALTHOUGH NETHERLANDS WAS NOT LISTED IN BOURGEOIS PRESS AMONG COUNTRIES REPRESENTED, WE SUSPECT THIS WAS OVERSIGHT. INDICATIONS ARE MEETING WAS AT PARTY SECRETARY LEVEL WITH ONLY FIRST SECRETARY PRESENT BEING HERMANSSON OF HOST COUNTRY COP. WE SHALL TRY TO LEARN MORE OF SUBSTANCE OF THIS UNUSUAL MEETING. OLSEN

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: PRESS COMMENTS, PARTY MEETINGS, COMMUNISTS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 01 OCT 1973
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: golinofr
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1973STOCKH03491
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: n/a
From: STOCKHOLM
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1973/newtext/t19731058/aaaabqzt.tel
Line Count: 133
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: golinofr
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 01 AUG 2001
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <01-Aug-2001 by boyleja>; APPROVED <14-Nov-2001 by golinofr>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: DT: WEST EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PARTIES MEETING SUMMARY: MEETING OF WEST EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PARTIES WAS
TAGS: PFOR, SW, WEST EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PARTIES, (HERMANSSON, C H)
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005